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International Master Program for Educational Quality in Developing Countries (IMPEQ)

Call for Application for 5th Cohort (2021-2023)

The *International Master Program of Quality Education in Developing Countries* (IMPEQ) offered by the *Otto-Friedrich-University of Bamberg, Germany* (UB), in partnership with the *Protestant Institute of Arts and Social Sciences* (PIASS) in Rwanda, and in cooperation with the *Université Evangelique du Cameroun* (UEC) and the *Université Libre des Pays des Grands Lacs* (ULPGL) in Goma in the Democratic Republic of Congo, trains educational leaders and policy makers as advocates for high quality and learner-centered education across educational systems in the Global South. IMPEQ's guiding principle is learning through research. This combines interpersonal development, scientific research, subject-specific skills, and professional development. The teaching is organized into 15 modules, covering theories of educational quality, education and normativity, evaluation and documentation, quality development, and to work experiences and research projects. IMPEQ serves the professional needs of educational leaders and policy makers in their respective countries.

The IMPEQ Program now welcomes application for the 5th cohort (2021-2023).

Extended Deadline for Application is 31 December 2020.

Final Decisions will be announced in April 2021.

For more information on admission and required application documents, please see:

<https://www.uni-bamberg.de/ma-educationalquality/admission-and-application/>

IMPEQ Program Description

IMPEQ follows a blended learning approach, which enables students to pursue their studies while simultaneously continuing to work in their respective organizations and to grow their networks of change. On the one hand, students participate in five mandatory periods of attendance in Germany and Rwanda during which they attend lectures and seminars, and receive intensive mentoring in small-group settings. On the other hand, students continue to deepen their knowledge and reflect their work experiences in the light of this knowledge during self-learning periods. IMPEQ provides students with individualized mentoring during these periods of self-study to ensure students' progress and success. In 2018, IMPEQ was successfully re-accredited by the University of Bamberg, which speaks to the high quality of the program and the sustainability of the partnerships on which it is built. In October 2021, IMPEQ will launch into its fifth cycle.

Bread for the World, a German faith-based development organization funded primarily by various churches, provides 20 scholarships for highly qualified IMPEQ candidates. The scholarship covers tuition fees and travel and accommodation costs for the five mandatory periods of attendance. Bread for the World receives the scholarship funds from the *German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development* (BMZ), which underlines the German government's strong dedication and support for the IMPEQ program. An international steering committee accompanies and advises the IMPEQ program. Members of the steering committee are deans and professors from the partnering universities in Germany (UB), Rwanda (PIASS), Cameroon (UEC), and DRC (ULPGL), accompanies and advise the IMPEQ program. Members of the Steering Committee accompany and advise the IMPEQ program. The Steering Committee's responsibilities include the selection of scholarship recipients based on the candidates' academic and professional qualifications. The selection process is highly competitive as the objective is to train multipliers, who will be able to trigger and nurture sustainable change in their respective education systems.

The IMPEQ website provides detailed information on the study program: <https://www.uni-bamberg.de/en/ma-educationalquality/>.